# Nevada prisons change inmate phone services

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Families of state prisoners will get a break on charges for phone calls from locked-up relatives, under a new contract announced by the Nevada

Department of Corrections. But the prices are still high compared with phone call costs on the outside.

The \$7.2 mg lion, 3-year contract with EMBARO. Kansas-based communication services company, covers the entire Nevada prison system. housing now 13,000 about inmates. The company also provides such services to prisons and jails in other many. " states.

With the EMBARQ system, prison officials say inmates' families will pay \$1.45 for a local call lasting 16 minutes, down from

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The cost of the 3-year contract with EMBARQ, a Kansas-based communication services company. The service covers the entire Nevada prison system, now housing about 13,000 inmates.

### \$1.45

The cost an inmate's family would pay for a local call lasting 16 minutes. This is down from \$1.89.

### \$2.73

The cost for a nonlocal call within the state lasting 16 minutes, down from \$4.48.

### 516.14

The cost of out-of-state calls, down from \$18.

\$1.89. The \$1.45 is a surcharge, and there's no perminute rate.

The price jumps for a nonlocal call within the state to \$2.73 for 16 minutes. With a surcharge added in, that's 17 cents a minute. The \$2.73 compares with the old charge of \$4.48 for the same call.

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EMBARQ agrees to the calling rates and Minimum Annual Guarantee above of page after

proposes a slight modification to the commission rate.

NDOC-requested calling rates

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Intrastate	\$0.85	60 1175	
Interstate	\$3.50	\$0.79	15.35 (15m
International	\$3.99	\$0.99	

Monthly Commission Rate: 54.20% reserved to 52% in final contract
Minimum Annual Guarantee: \$2.400,000

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